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THE BATTLE IN FLANDERS.

HEAVY AND DESPERATE FIGHTING.

London, Aug. 17.

The fighting in Flanders has been most heavy and most desperate. Correspondents say that the "blood bath" is worse than at the Battle of the Somme. The Germans are frantically throwing in whole Divisions, in vain attempts to retake the lost positions, and their attacks are likened to outgoing tide waves. The attacks are still heavy but each collapses behind its predecessor. One came within ten yards of our line before it was withered by machine-gun fire.

The enemy losses in the counter-attacks at Hill 70 were particularly heavy, and boys of 17 were mown down wholesale.

The Allies are very unlucky in the matter of weather. The advance at Langemarck was carried out through floods and the men sank up to their waists in the mud, losing their rifles as supports and many had to be hauled out by their comrades. But all the difficulties were ultimately surmounted and the enemy fled when the British closed around the ruins.

The captured include a Colonel who, "nervous-shaken and" dejected, admitted that his losses had been very heavy.

Yesterday's fighting marks the fifth successful offensive since January 1, 1917. Each has meant the loss of a dominating height by the Germans, who now only hold Aubers Ridge, to the west of Lille—but this has not yet been attacked.

SIR DOUGLAS HAIG'S LATEST REPORT.

London, Aug. 17.

Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:

The enemy twice counter-attacked, last night, our new positions to the east of Loos and in the direction of Cite St. Auguste. His second attempt pressed us back on the line slightly, at some points, but our counter-attack restored the positions. We repulsed a further counter-attack, taking prisoners.

The artillery on both sides is active to the east of Ypres.

"FEWER HUNS IN BELGIUM"

London, Aug. 17.

Reuter's Correspondent at British Headquarters, telegraphing this afternoon, says that the liberation of Belgium made substantial progress yesterday. Although the gain in territory is not great, it is all to the good. But what is much more important is that there are fewer Huns in Belgium than previously.

The British and French have now probably 2,000 prisoners in the collecting cages, whilst we know for certain that the enemy's dead and wounded must form an appalling total.

The counter-attacks in dense masses, which are still the favourite tactics of the German High Command, are terribly costly even when successful. The price our gunners exacted before the enemy was allowed to re-take some of the high ground yesterday, was such that prisoners admit that every bout of this kind of fighting must weaken the power of resistance of the whole German army in the West.

I refer to this somewhat obvious point because it affords an answer to the Huns' stereotyped boast that we have failed to break through their iron wall. It really does not matter

whether we succeed in destroying the military power of Germany where we now stand, or miles further forward.

Langemarck is a pile of rubble and consists mainly of pools of water and beds of mud with islands of jagged masonry and tree stumps, and the roads have vanished. The enemy here used an amazing quantity of concrete, the roofs to cellars being often ten feet thick.

A feature of the recent fighting is the much greater part the rifle is playing in the attacks. The Germans have been lavish with their use of smoke barges with the idea that they are baffling our gunners. These sometimes resulted in our men losing touch and also in reports of casualties that had not occurred. In one case a private leading a little bunch of men met an officer of another battalion and asked him to take over command. The officer replied that he had other work to do and bade the private to carry on. It is the ready initiative of our men that stands them in good stead amid the turmoil of the battle. Experience shows that the German method of training stifles this quality.

The weather continues to be fine and judging from the thunder of the guns and activity of the airman, the battle continues to rage.

Around Lens, the Canadians are following up Wednesday's fine success and are still closer to the smoking town.

PRINCIPAL STAGE OF THE SUMMER CAMPAIGN REACHED.

London, Aug. 17.

A special leading article in the Times on the latest pushes says that the operations are steadily developing. Evidently the offensive initiated at the end of July was part of larger plans.

We have now reached the principal stage of the summer campaign in the West and the enemy is being subjected to a pressure exceeding anything ever known. Our advances are methodical and carefully defined beforehand. There is no expectation of attaining overwhelming results suddenly. The fruits of the present battle have still to be gathered.

The fall of Lens might bring extensive changes on that part of the line. Great issues hang in the balance at Lens and before Ypres and if the British and the French can register such definite advances when the Germans are only fighting on one front, it may be claimed that the character of the war is undergoing a perceptible and very hopeful change.

ST. QUENTIN CATHEDRAL IN FLAMES.

London, Aug. 17.

Reuter's Correspondent at French Headquarters states that smoke and flames were seen to be pouring from the roof of St. Quentin Cathedral yesterday evening from the French observatory posts. All night the great building was in flames and when day broke it was seen that the massive roof had fallen in, carrying with it the central tower. At four this afternoon, the correspondent was looking at the ruined shell of the ancient church. The fire was still burning and smoke was pouring out. The Cathedral dates, in parts, from the thirteenth century and the edifice contained some remarkably fine stained glass windows.

The enemy set fire to two villages close to St. Quentin, last night.

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By Order of the Board of Directors,
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Hongkong, August 12, 1917. 2931

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LTD.

AN INTERIM DIVIDEND of ONE DOLLAR (\$1.—) per share for account 1917, will be payable on FRIDAY, the 24th August, 1917. Shareholders are requested to apply for Dividend Warrants at the Company's Office, 52 George Street, Hongkong. The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from MONDAY, the 20th August, 1917, to FRIDAY, the 24th August, 1917, both days inclusive.

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Hongkong, August 10, 1917. 2936

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NOTICE.

IN ACCORDANCE with the Provisions of No. 111 of the Articles of Association the General Managers have this day declared an INTERIM DIVIDEND for the half year ended 30th June, 1917, of TWO DOLLARS PER SHARE.

DIVIDEND WARRANTS may be obtained on application at the Office of the Company on and after TUESDAY, 21st instant.

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MEN'S FEATS OF DIGGING AT MESSEINES.

[By "THE DAILY CHRONICLE" SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT, PHILIP GIBBS.]

WAR CORRESPONDENTS' HEADQUARTERS, France, June 24.

In the battle of Messines Welsh troops stormed to the crest of the ridge with English, Irish, New Zealanders, and Australians and it was the work of Welsh miners which helped to make that frightful earthquake, when 19 mines gave signal for the battle to begin.

For several months now other Welsh troops have been holding a difficult part of the line, where there has been no cheap glory to earn - glory in this war is not a theatrical affair - but only the reward of men's pride for ugly duty done with a grim spirit of patience and courage. These Welshmen have had a hard time, but they are hard fellows now after long experience of war, tougher even than when they came from the mines of South Wales, the tinplate works of Swansea, and the docks and workshops of Cardiff.

They have done great feats of digging during these months. They have pierced great tunnels, in which companies of men can get cover from high explosives before they are used to walk in the open and in trenches under heavy fire. They have strengthened the line and held the line with stoical spirit.

And they have never been content to sit in their trenches, but on many nights have crept out with fierce intent to raid the enemy's trenches, to capture a machine-gun or two, and to bring back a few prisoners.

ACROSS NO MAN'S LAND.

Some little time ago 170 of them went across No Man's Land on one of these raids. It had been rehearsed beforehand, and was led by a captain of the Welsh Regiment reported by his general as a leader of men "far above the average."

It seems as if each man among them had resolved to do some special act of gallantry.

A young second lieutenant was first into the enemy's trenches and last out, and carried a wounded man across No Man's Land. A private of the Welsh Regiment brought his Lewis gun into action and, in spite of heavy rifle fire, which swept around him, served his weapon very coolly until the withdrawal was ordered. One young Welshman captured seven Germans in a dug-out and stayed to clear up their papers. Attacked by two Germans, a Welsh corporal killed them both, and would not leave the trenches until his comrades were safely out again. Then he picked up a wounded man and trudged back with him across No Man's Land, where the ground was alive with machine-gun bullets.

WELSH OXEN PARTIES.

Only a few days ago the Welshmen made another of these raids, and a hazardous one because it was in bright moonlight. But a young lieutenant - his name is an old one in Welsh history - took over his men and, what is more wonderful, brought them back without a single casualty, but with three prisoners to add to the number of his party.

One of the pluckiest things was done by a private soldier who went out alone

in advance of the raiders and laid down a little bridge made of wood across a ditch so that the men could get over quickly. His figure was lonely out there, where at any moment a German sentry might have a bullet through his heart. But he did his job quickly and coolly, and the success of the raid was due to that individual act of courage. It was a sergeant who prowled around the German dug-outs and took three prisoners, and it was a lance-corporal who carried a badly wounded man back across the ford, careless, it seemed, of the shells which were now bursting round him. There was a brave Stokes gunner among them who was buried by one of those shells, but scrambled out of the crater and carried on with his weapon.

All that belongs to the grim side of war. But many of these Welsh soldiers have the old poetry of the Welsh hills in their hearts and the music of the valleys in their souls. They are always singing, when they are not fighting or training. Each company has its own glee party, and in the woods and fields behind the battle line they sing the old songs of Wales and old hymn tunes and ballads with beautiful harmonies. The enemy must hear them sometimes, and German sentries standing in their trenches must listen to the Welshman's voice stealing across No Man's Land from the support trenches or wagon lines.

GOLF UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

It was in a wood as green and beautiful as the old Forest of Arden that I met some of these Welsh troops yesterday, and they were singing then, though not a day passes without a few heavy shells crashing between the branches here. To our troops that menace made no difference.

A party of English officers had made a miniature golf course, and were putting with keen amusement. Across a bridge track came a chorus from a rehearsal of "Follies" in a small tent; a gramophone played a violin rendering of a reverie by Chopin, and through the woods the Welsh went singing, though not far away the guns were pounding and the chorus of the "Follies" was interrupted for a five minutes' interlude provided by a German aeroplane overhead, a great swirl of the British Archies, which brought shrapnel clattering through the branches; while Rupert, one of our snappy balloons, showed great symptoms of alarm, and hauled himself down like a fat and frightened spider who flings out a thread and scuttles to the floor.

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the 1st day of September, 1917, at 12
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considering and if thought fit, passing
the following Resolution viz:—

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by the requisite majority, it will be
submitted for confirmation as a Special
Resolution to a Second Extraordinary
General Meeting which will be sub-
sequently convened.

A print of the Memorandum as pro-
posed to be altered can be seen at the
Head Office of the Society.

Dated this 18th day of August, 1917.
C. H. P. HAY,
per pro, General Manager.

THE CALENDAR.

MEMO FOR TO-DAY.

9 p.m.—Night Fete at V.R.C.

MEMOS FOR MONDAY.

President Poincaré's birthday (1859).
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Porcelains,
Embroideries, Curios etc. at Messrs.
Hughes and Hough's.

General Memoranda.

TUESDAY, August 21:—
Hongkong Ice Co's. interim dividend
due.

11 a.m.—Auction of Household Furni-
ture, etc. at No. 3, Wood Road,
Wanchai.

3.45 p.m.—Sanitary Board Meeting.

WEDNESDAY, August 22:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture,
Carpets, Linens, Pianos, etc. etc. at
Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

FRIDAY, August 24:—
Hongkong Rope Co's. interim dividend
due.

2.30 p.m.—Legislative Council Meet-
ing.

MONDAY, August 27:—
Queen of Holland's birthday (1850).
Emperor of Japan's birthday (1879).

SATURDAY, Sept. 1:—
8.25 p.m.—Full moon.

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satisfactorily proved by mining experts,
but we have understood that a big
capital would be needed to properly
exploit it, especially as no coal has
been discovered in the immediate
vicinity. Before the public could be
asked for capital for an enterprise of
this character the very soundest as-
surances would be needed that it
would quickly become a remunerative
enterprise. No doubt the prospects
to-day are better in this connection
than ever they were, but as the Steel
Foundry Company has been "inun-
dated" with offers to supply it with
iron ore and other minerals from
the neighbouring province of China,
nothing would seem to stand in the
way of the development of the Steel
Works in Hongkong but the neces-
sary capital for the extensions
needed. We presume the offers to
supply are mentioned by the
Chairman, are from Chinese, for we
almost despair of seeing China's
mining laws so altered as to allow
foreigners such mining rights in
China as would justify them in
making heavy investments in such
enterprises. It is true that China
is pledged by treaty to permit citizens
of the United States (and in virtue
of the most-favoured-nation clause,
the subjects of all other Treaty
Powers), to carry on in Chinese
territory mining operations "provided
they comply with the new regulations
and conditions which may be imposed
by China on its subjects and for-
eigners alike," but the mining experts
of China who have the ear of the
Government regard it as impossible
to give effect to this provision of the
Treaty so long as extra-territoriality
exists. As the abolition of extra-ter-
ritoriality in China is yet a very
long way off, a Steel Foundry in
Hongkong would necessarily have to
rely on contracts for ore made with
Chinese under suitable guarantees.
Once the market is created for ore,
which there is no doubt exists in
Kwangtung and Kwangsi in abun-
dant quantities, there will doubtless be found
Chinese enterprising enough to work
it for all it is worth.

BIRTHS.

BAXING LOVER. On August 11,
Shanghai, to Mr. and Mrs. E. G.
Banning-Lover, a daughter.

SAVAGE. On August 1, at Kolling
Hospital, to Mr. and Mrs. Y. L.
Savage (I.R.M. Consul officiating
at Chungking), a son.

TURNBULL. At Victoria Nursing Home,
Shanghai, on August 10, to Mr. and
Mrs. Gaven J. Turnbull, a daughter.

MARRIAGE.

RANDOLPH-MONCRIEFF. At Yokohama,
on August 2, Richard Wood
Randolph, of Ichang, to M. Bartley
Moncrieff, only daughter of A. B.
Moncrieff, C.M.G., Adelaide, South
Australia.

DEATHS.

RODRIGUES. On August 12, at Shang-
hai, Jose Antonio Rodrigues, aged
63 years.

VIEIRA. At Shanghai, on August 12,
Alma Maria Vieira, aged 51.

The China Mail.

HONGKONG, SATURDAY, August 18, 1917.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

The Criminal Sessions were formally
opened this morning and adjourned
until Monday, 20th inst.

At 11 p.m. last night the Manila
Observatory reported that the typhoon
was N.E. of Aparri, moving N.W. or
N.N.W.

It is notified in the *Government
Gazette* that on and after the 1st of
September the Cash on Delivery Service
will be extended to parcels exchanged
with Macao through the Post Office.

The Frawley Company of New
York and London Star Performers
announces performances of a series of
attractive plays at the Theatre Royal,
commencing on Saturday next.

The Hon. Mr. Halifax informs us
that a pair of binoculars from Mr. E.
Ralphs, Hongkong, Civil Service, and
another pair from "Anonymous" have
been received by him for forwarding to
the Manager of the Lady Roberts' Field
Golf Fund. The total now stands:—
One Stand Telescope, 20 Hand
Telescopes, 63 Binoculars, and dona-
tions of \$150.00.

The Schedule for the Hongkong
Horticultural Society's Flower and
Vegetable Show, 1918, has been issued,
and the attention of members is called
to several new features which have been
introduced with the objects of increasing
interest in and enlarging the scope of
the show, and of economising space,
which is necessarily limited. Mr. F. E.
L. Bowley is the Secretary this year.

The paper by Mr. H. E. Goldsmith,
an engineer of the Staff of the Public
Works Department, describing in detail
the construction and maintenance of
the roads in Hongkong, published in the
March issue of the *Journal of the
Institution of Municipal and County
Engineers*, has now been issued in book
form by Messrs. Kelly and Walsh Ltd.,
under the title of "Road Construction
and Maintenance in the Tropics." The
letter press is illustrated by several
photographic reproductions and sketches
and altogether it is a little *route-memoir*
which will interest road engineers every-
where, while the layman in Hongkong
may feel a pardonable pride in the fact
that this Colony can give points to
many other places in the wide world in
the matter of road construction and
maintenance.

CHINA AT WAR.

[Chinese Mail Service.]

CONGRATULATIONS FROM KING GEORGE.

PEKING, Aug. 17.
Last night, the President received a
telegram from King George, congratulat-
ing China upon her war declaration.

A SNUB FOR THE AUSTRIAN MINISTER.

The Austrian Minister, replying to
China's Note, stated that the declaration
of war was unconstitutional and he must
first refer the matter to his home
Government.

The Foreign Office has refused to
accept his reply, on the ground that
since the declaration of war, he no
longer officially represents Austria and
has, therefore, no right to address the
Foreign Office, nor to interfere in
China's internal affairs by saying the
declaration of war is unconstitutional.

THE CENSORSHIP.

The Ministry of Communications has
issued two public notices regarding
censorship of mails and telegrams.

DISMISSAL OF GERMANS FROM THE CUSTOMS.

SHANGHAI, Aug. 17.
The Germans employed in the cus-
toms, numbering 125, were dismissed
yesterday. Their salaries were paid up
to date and also their retiring allowances.
The Germans employed in the Salt
Administration, including Mr. Strauch,
who was also dismissed.

IMPORT DUTY ON GOODS FROM NON-TREATY COUNTRIES.

The Cabinet has decided to levy an
import duty on goods from non-treaty
countries. The duty will be 20 per cent.

PAYMENTS DUE TO GERMANY.

The payments due to Germany and
Austria in connection with the Quintuple
group and the railway loans, will be de-
posited with banks in sterling.

ALLIED MILITARY GUARDS.

Complying with the request made by
the Peking Government the Allied
Ministers have each sent a small military
guard for the German Bank.

A PROPOSED CELEBRATION.

The Cabinet has approved a proposal
to hold a celebration in the public park
on August 19, to commemorate the
declaration of war.

THE CHINESE NAVY.

Now that war has been declared the
Government has instructed Admiral
Sah-Chun Ping to urge the First Squa-
dron to become loyal.

ALLIED WARSHIPS RELEASED.

The Japanese, American and British
ships, interned in China will be allowed
to move about, fully armed, once more.

THE SANITARY BOARD.

At the meeting of the Sanitary Board
on Tuesday, Mr. F. B. L. Bowley,
pursuant to notice, will ask:—

"What steps (if any) have been taken
by the Government to carry out the
recommendation made by the Board
on the 12th December last that the
area of Crown Land lying between
Des Vaux and Connaught Roads
opposite the Sailor's Home should be
laid out as a depot for the storage
and sorting of poultry at the earliest
possible date, such recommendation
having been made with a view to the
abatement of the nuisance occasioned
by such storage and sorting in Ko
Shing and Li Sing Streets?"

Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, pursuant to
notice, will move:—

"That the Board recommends the Gov-
ernment to extend to the sea as soon as
possible the sewers draining the
central portions of the Peak into the
Western Aberdeen Valley below 'the
Falls'."

In the Summer Tennis Tourna-
ment yesterday Carey and de Rome
(-10) beat Green and Cobb (-10)
96/76; Bevington and Varnay (-10)
96/76; Murray and Morse (-10) 98/81;
and Murray and Morse (-10) 98/81;
and Murray and Morse (-10) 98/81;
and Murray and Morse (-10) 98/81.

The total output of the Kailan Min-
ing Administration's mines for the week
ending 4th August amounted to 64,800
tons, and the sale during this period to
42,261 tons.

COMPANY MEETING.

THE STEAM LAUNDRY COMPANY. LIMITED.

The fifteenth ordinary general meet-
ing of the shareholders of The Steam
Laundry Company Ltd., was held at
12.30 to-day at the offices of the Hon.
Sir Paul Chater C.M.G.

Mr. F. Maitland presided and there
were present:—
The Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G.,
and Messrs. W. S. Brown, M. S.
Northcote, D. Gee (Manager) and C.
Bernard Brown (Secretary).

After the Secretary had read
the notice convening the meeting,
The Chairman said:—Gentlemen,—
The Report and Accounts have been in
your hands for several days and with
your permission I will adopt the usual
course and take them as read. Slow
but sure progress has been made in the
year under review and but for the
enormous rise in the price of Coal our
accounts would have shown a very good
result indeed. Our turnover has in-
creased and is now in excess of that
immediately before the War when we
had reached our high water mark as
regards net profits. We have opened
this year well and in view of the
fact that our stores are in the
balance sheet at a low value, and
further that quite a considerable sum
has been spent during the year in
upkeep of machinery etc. charged to
repairs account, your Directors decided
that it was safe to increase the dividend
to 7% and they trust that the following
appropriation of the available profit of
\$13,609.79 will meet with your
approval.

To Pay a Dividend of 7 per
cent. \$ 7,000.00
To Write off Machinery 2,231.17
To Write off Buildings 1,000.00
To Write off Steam Launch 500.00
To Carry forward to New
Account 2,878.52
\$ 13,609.79

I have again to express the Board's
satisfaction at the good work done by
our Manager, Mr. Gee, and our Com-
ptroller. I now beg to propose the
adoption of the Report and Accounts as
presented and the appropriation of
revenue as recommended.

In seconding, Mr. M. S. Northcote
said that he would like to congratulate
the Directors and the Manager upon the
successful year's working.

The motion was carried.
Mr. M. S. Northcote proposed, and
Mr. A. D. Gee seconded the re-election
to the Board of Directors of Mr. W. S.
Brown, and the motion was carried.

Mr. W. S. Brown proposed, and
Mr. A. D. Gee seconded the re-election of
Mr. H. Perry Smith as auditor for the
forthcoming year at a remuneration of
\$100, and the motion was carried.

The Chairman then announced that
dividend warrants would be ready on
Monday next and could be had on
application.

This terminated the business of the
meeting.

OFFICIAL APPOINTMENTS.

The following appointments are
announced in the *Gazette*:—
Mr. F. E. Johnson to be Assistant
Land Officer.

Mr. L. Longinotto to be Assistant
Crown Solicitor.

Mr. F. C. Jenkins, D.S.P. (R.), to be
an Honorary A.D.C. to His Excellency
the Governor.

Mr. T. H. Hough, A.S.P. (R.), to be
an Honorary A.D.C. to His Excellency
the Governor.

HONGKONG GYMKHANA CLUB.

PROGRAMME FOR FOURTH MEETING.

The Fourth Gymkhana Meeting of
the season has been fixed to be held
on Saturday, 18th September. The
programme is as follows:—

1. Five furlongs for beaten ponies
(handicap).
2. Gymkhana Stakes (one mile).
3. "A" Class—1 mile (handicap).
4. Ladies' Nomination—Bending
Race.
5. "B" Class—1 mile (handicap).
6. Distance handicap.
7. One-and-a-quarter mile (handi-
cap).

TEETHING CHILDREN.

TEETHING children have more or
less diarrhoea which can be con-
trolled by giving Chamberlain's Colic,
Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy. All that
is necessary is to give the prescribed
dose after each operation of the bowels
more than natural and then castor oil to
cleanse the system. It is safe and sure.
Even the most severe and dangerous
cases are quickly cured by it. For sale
by all Chemists and Druggists.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE POPE AND PEACE.

(To the Editor of the "CHINA MAIL.")

Hongkong
August 18th 1917.

SIR,—The tenor of the various peace
notes in the past, and now particularly
the text of the note of His Holiness the
Pope, published in your last night's
issue, are to the simple-minded man
confusing.

"They are confusing for the reason that
they convey the impression that the
British Empire is waging a deliberate
and relentless war on Germany. I, from
August 1914, have been possessed of one
idea, viz.—That the British Empire is
fighting for its life against a Nation
which for decades past has plotted its
downfall."

His Holiness states that, "Defenceless
cities, quiet villages and inhabitants have
been stricken with desolation and death."
He omits to state that these "defence-
less cities, quiet villages and inhabitants,"
so stricken, are not German.

I am unable to understand what
attitude His Holiness wishes us to
assume. It seems to me, that unless
he can persuade us to voluntarily
shackle ourselves with German
chains, to surrender our woman-
folk for the sport of a brutal and
blood-drunk foe, before any note of
peace can be sounded, it will first be
necessary for Germany, the aggressor, to
lay down its arms and sue for mercy.

I crave your Editorial pronouncement
on the situation.

Yours faithfully,
P. H. ROLFE.

[We can add but little to present to
what we wrote on Thursday. No
abiding peace is possible except on the
basis of the conditions clearly and con-
fiscally set forth in the Allied Joint Reply
to President Wilson's Note of December
last.—Ed.]

THE MAGISTRACY.

PROSECUTION OF A COOK.

In Mr. Wood's Court yesterday,
Inspector Kent, of the Central Police
Station, charged his cook with leaving
him, on July 31st, without giving
notice.

Inspector Kent stated that the
defendant asked him for leave of absence
on the 30th. He told the
defendant that he could absent himself
the following day. Shortly after eleven
o'clock the next morning, the defendant
informed the complainant's wife that
his (the defendant's) sister was ill and
said that he wanted to leave the house.
Mrs. Kent instructed the defendant
to remain on the premises until
after tea, but the latter disregarded
her orders and decamped. Yesterday the
defendant returned to the complainant's
residence to claim his wages. He was
in the complainant's employ for six or
seven months.

In answer to the charge the defend-
ant said that he absented himself from
the complainant's household because his
sister was seriously ill and he did not
want to wait. He had sent a substitute
to do his work.

Replying to the defendant's state-
ment, the complainant said that he saw
no substitute for the defendant. The
complainant had been put to consid-
erable inconvenience, having been without
a cook for six or seven days.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$1
and ordered that defendant's wages be
forfeited.

POCKET-PICKING IN YAUMATEI.

A Chinese charged with pocket-
picking was brought before Mr. J. R.
Wood this morning.

It was stated that the defendant had
picked the pocket of another Chinese
whilst the latter was watching a con-
juring performance at Yaumatei.

After hearing the evidence His
Worship sentenced the defendant to
three months' hard labour.

ST. JOHN'S AMBULANCE BRIGADE.

HONGKONG AND CHINA DISTRICT.

K.M.C.A. DIVISION.
Tuesday, August 21st:—
8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

Thursday, August 23rd:—
8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

SALICHOBY DIVISION.
Tuesday, August 21st:—
8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

Friday, August 24th:—
8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

QUEEN'S COLLEGE DIVISION.
Monday, August 20th:—
8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

Thursday, August 23rd:—
8 p.m. Squad and Stretcher Drill.

(84) E. RALPHS,
Office in Charge of District.

COMMERCIAL.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Messrs. Moxon and Taylor's Weekly
Share Report dated 17th August, states:—
The sensational rise in Sterling Ex-
change during the past week has practi-
cally stunned the share market. There
is a disposition to sell at first sight
especially investment stocks, but it is
very hard to find buyers. The general
trend of the market practically depends
upon the course of Exchange.

The same remarks would appear appli-
cable to Shanghai.

Rubber is quoted 2 1/2 per lb. buyers
(Plantation).

—Hongkong Banks have con-
tinued their downward course, and are
now quoted \$30 sellers ex the interim
dividend of \$2.50—just paid (at Ex. 2 1/2
= \$17.00).

—MARINE INSURANCE.—CANTONS are
weak at \$325. Unions are still on offer at
\$825. There is no change in other stocks.

—FIRE INSURANCE.—Hongkong Fire
could probably be obtained at \$300.
The same remarks would appear appli-
cable to Shanghai.

—REFINERY.—China Sugars are nomi-
nated at \$90. Malabons are unchanged
at \$90.

—OILS AND MINING.—Langkats are
quoted Tia 15 in the North. Banks are
quoted at \$3.60. Tronachs at 2 1/2 and
Urals at 3 1/2 are unchanged. Shells have
risen in London to a buying rate of 23
8 9 ex "rights." Kallans are firm
at 34 1/2.

—DOCKS, WHARVES AND GODOWNS.—
Kowloon Wharves are very quiet at \$76.
Hongkong Docks are on offer at \$113.
Shanghai Docks are wanted at Tia 78.

—LANDS, HOUSES AND BUILDINGS.—West
Points might be placed at \$70. Hong-
kong Lands have been done at \$95. Hongkong
Hotels have been done at \$93. Humphreys
have buyers at \$61.

—COTTON MILLS.—In the North the fol-
lowing are to-day's quotations:—
Ewos Tia 123.
Shanghai Cottons Tia 134.
Kung Yiks Tia 104.
Yangtze Cottons Tia 54.

—ELECTRIC COMPANIES.—Hongkong Elec-
trics are still firm at \$48. China Light
are nominal at \$44 and Hongkong Trams
are without business at \$6.20 ex dividend
(Tia 17.45).

—MISCELLANEOUS.—Watsons at \$8 are
quiet. Cements are in demand at \$7.
China Providents are nominal at \$7.80.
Shanghai Providents are nominal at \$7.80.
Dairy Farms are at \$22 without business,
as are Hongkong Ice at \$151. Water-
boats are nominal at \$17 and Ropes at
\$27 1/2. Wm. Powell at \$61 and Ropes at
\$27 1/2. The demand rate on Lon-
don is 2 1/2 and the T.T. selling rate on
Shanghai is 6 1/2.

SHANGHAI TRADE.

Messrs. Ilbert and Co

TELEGRAMS.

(Continued from Page 1.)

THE FIGHTING ON THE WEST FRONT.

VIOLENT ATTACKS ON FRENCH POSITIONS SANGUINARILY DEFEATED.

LONDON, Aug. 17. A French communiqué states:—In Belgium, the enemy attack on our new positions, on both sides of Stenbeck, completely failed. The enemy, yesterday evening, after an intense bombardment, vigorously attacked on a two kilometre front between Vaulere Mill and Châtillon plateau, inclusive. He was repulsed by artillery and rifle fire and did not succeed in reaching our lines anywhere.

Violent and repeated attacks on the positions we have recently won, to the east of Cerny, were also sanguinarily defeated.

It is confirmed that the German losses in the operations from August 13 to 15, in the region of the plateau at Cronne, were particularly heavy.

After a short bombardment, the Germans yesterday, violently attacked between Carrières Wood and Benaymont, on the right bank of the Meuse. Our immediate counterattacks and the accuracy of our fire repulsed, almost everywhere, the enemy, who had gained a footing in advanced elements of our first line.

Our aeroplanes actively participated in the operations in Belgium and there were many fights with enemy aeroplanes of which we brought down two and forced two to land in their own lines. Our machines also flew very low and successfully bombed and machine-gunned enemy troops, trains and aerodromes.

UNOFFICIAL REPORTS.

LONDON, Aug. 16. Reuter's Correspondent at Headquarters states that continuous and chiefly bitter fighting progressed throughout the day, along the front of the renewed offensive. The joint British and French attack appears to have been successful, but the situation on the right flank is a little obscure. The troops around this spot were moving towards Polygon-de-Zonnebeke, but the Germans are delivering some very heavy counterattacks there. Further north, we have unquestionably done very well. Langemark is reported to be well in our hands, and the fighting is now well beyond that place.

The mention of Langemark recalls the first battle at Ypres, when the Third Brigade met the Twenty-second German Division advancing with their arms linked, in a consciousness of their overwhelming superiority. Our machine-gun fire so cut them up that even our soldiers were numbed by the slaughter.

Both sides have been fighting desperately in the neighbourhood of Glencorse Wood, which is a strong tactical point. The infantry loudly praise the almost sentient precision of the artillery barrage. One of the worst experiences, befelling the German counterattacks was when the guns put down a curtain-fire behind assaulting waves and then headed them off with a creeping, whirling barrage. Machine-guns represented the chief difficulty with which we had to contend.

The British artillery appears to have afforded rather erratic support. Zonnebeke, Redoubt was the scene of fierce fighting to-day. Picked sturmtroepen chiefly delivered the counterattacks. The French continued to progress well, but their movement was mainly designed to conform to our advance.

MORE RAIDS BY NAVAL AEROPLANES.

LONDON, Aug. 17. The Admiralty reports that naval aeroplanes carried out a series of raids yesterday, and dropped many tons of bombs on Ostend, the railway stations at Thourout and the aerodrome at Ghent, causing fires. They also attacked the aerodromes at Engel and Uytkerke and road transports by aeroplane gun-fire. All the machines returned.

TURKEY AND WAR PRISONERS.

LONDON, Aug. 17. Lord Derby has announced that Turkey has agreed to a conference, with regard to war prisoners, in Switzerland.

POPE'S PEACE NOTE.

UNFAVOURABLE RECEPTION EXCEPT IN GERMANY.

ASSURANCES TO THE VATICAN.

ROME, Aug. 17. The Vatican has been assured that Berlin, Vienna and the neutrals will support the Pope's proposals. The Allies maintain an attitude of reserve.

FRENCH PRESS COMMENT.

PARIS, Aug. 17. The Press rejects the Pope's proposals.

The newspaper, *Le Temps* asks: How can a voice be raised in the name of Divine Justice and omit to demand the punishment for the wrongs of 1871 and 1914? When one desires to pose as an arbiter of peace, his first duty is to decide between good and bad.

The *Journal de Debats* says that the third parties intervening are acting consciously on behalf of the Autocratic Empires.

Le Matin says there must be no capitulation over the terms of the invaded districts.

Le Journal expresses sympathy with the Pope's intentions but says the firmness of the Allies' plans is unshakable.

ITALIAN PRESS COMMENT.

The Italian Press hopes the voice of the Pope will be accompanied by an increasing Allied bombardment from Flanders to Trieste and expects the Central Powers will now be obliged to reveal their peace terms.

GERMAN PRESS COMMENT.

The German Press professes a disinclination to accept the Pope's proposals until the full text is available, but it is obvious that the step is very welcome and much anxious curiosity is manifested regarding the attitude of the Allies.

The semi-official *Cologne Gazette* says that it would not be right to reject the Pope's proposals. Logic prescribes that Germany should enter the path indicated by the Pope.

AMERICAN OPINION.

NEW YORK, Aug. 17. The sentiment of the United States, as reflected in the principal newspapers, continues to indicate that there is little hope of concrete results from the Pope's proposals.

The *Boston Transcript* says the suggestion that the great nations of the world should buy back the mutilated victims of German greed, arrogance and aggression by restoring Germany's Colonies and allowing the guilty German Government to go sent free, is too sinister for consideration on this side of the Atlantic, even when the suggestion comes in good faith from the Vatican.

The *Washington Post* writes that humanity shares with the Pope the feeling of horror over such bloodshed and desolation, but it is to put a stop to it for ever that humanity refuses to compromise with the German-murder system.

The *Philadelphia Inquirer* says that the only offers of peace that the Allies can consider seriously must come from Berlin and must include the repudiation of Hohenzollern autocracy.

The *New York Herald* declares that the capture of Hill 70 is the finest peace move that has happened since the notable British advance at Wytschaete, and drives home to the people of Germany that the von Hindenburg impregnability is not impregnable. Magnificent work is being done in the cause of peace by the British Army in the vicinity of Lens and each day that passes brings us nearer peace, not because of anybody's peace talk or peace proposals, but because the armies of civilisation are driving hard for peace.

AUSTRALIA AND THE WAR.

MELBOURNE, Aug. 17. The Senate has rejected, without a debate or a division, the motion that the time had arrived for the Imperial Government to ascertain and announce the peace basis on which the Allies are prepared to negotiate.

The Senate passed a motion deprecating the return of the German Colonies.

THE BEST ANSWER.

LONDON, Aug. 16. The newspapers all applaud Mr. Lloyd George's statesmanlike utterances, as the best answer to the new German "peace offensive."

The *Times* states that it proves that the leading statesmen of this Empire are in possession of the full facts of the situation and entirely dissent from those who think that the war is becoming a more and more useless massacre. The enemy, as Mr. Lloyd George points out, have undertaken a regular campaign to prove that the state of the war, food supplies and the success of unlimited piracy must presently being England to her knees.

This month, Mr. Lloyd George says, has been mentioned in the Reichstag as the period when this consummation is to be achieved. The objects of the move are patent but fortunately, it is possible to demonstrate by facts and figures that the fond hopes which its authors seek to propagate, are built upon sand.

THE CENTRAL POWERS AND POLAND.

LONDON, Aug. 17. Reuter learns that the Central Powers intend to offer Poland a regency composed of three eminent Polish politicians, a Ministerial Cabinet, and a Council of State, to which none of the present Provisional Councils will be appointed.

THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

INTERVIEW WITH GENERAL KORNILOFF.

ANOTHER WINTER CAMPAIGN INEVITABLE.

PETERSBURG, Aug. 17. General Korniloff, the Commander-in-Chief, has arrived and has had a lengthy conference with M. Kerensky, the Premier.

In an interview, General Korniloff stated that energetic measures had resulted in a considerable strengthening of the moral fighting capacity of the army, and he hoped that the new measures he was now submitting to the Government would result in a complete regeneration of the army.

General Korniloff stated that vast military operations were to be expected on the Rumanian and other fronts, especially the northern front, where combined land and sea action was possible.

He was of opinion that another winter campaign was inevitable.

GERMAN ATTACKS FAIL.

LONDON, Aug. 17. A Russian official message, transmitted by wireless, states that German attacks in the region of Slavic and Stoklerie failed. The Rumanians beat off attacks to the north-east of Soevia and in the direction of Focsoni.

THE NEED OF MORE BRITISH HARBOURS.

LONDON, Aug. 17. In the House of Lords Lord Curzon emphasised that the establishment of suitable harbours and the improvement of the existing harbours was an Imperial necessity, and he hoped that the recommendations of the Royal Commission on the matter would soon be adopted, but the matter could not be dealt with in war time, owing to the shortage of labour. The question was not being lost sight of and would be taken up in all its Imperial aspects as soon as possible.

THE SILVER MARKET.

LONDON, Aug. 17. Messrs Samuel, Montagu and Company's silver report states that the price of 44s is a record since December 1891. The abnormal rise is due largely to the impossibility of executing buying orders, in a depleted market. China exchanges are very firm and the figures of the transactions of Shanghai are much above the official figures, doubtless owing to the entry of China into the war and the possibility of a loan to China. It is fairly plain that the great fresh advance in the price of silver is mainly attributable to this important new factor, although the substantial local demand from America must not be ignored. The intrinsic value of the Rupees in India is at present 16.351 pence. The Indian silver holding has increased by 27 lakhs and the gold holding by 44 lakhs.

BRITISH MINISTERIAL APPOINTMENTS.

LONDON, Aug. 17. The Press Bureau announces that Mr. J. Hodge has been appointed Minister of Pensions and Mr. G. H. Roberts Minister of Labour. Sir Eric Geddes, the late Director-General of Recruiting, to be Minister of National Service and Mr. G. J. Wardle, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Trade.

A BRITISH COMMERCIAL INTELLIGENCE SERVICE.

LONDON, Aug. 17. The Government has decided upon a scheme for the establishment of a Commercial Intelligence Service, to promote trade after the war.

THE SITUATION IN SPAIN.

LONDON, Aug. 17. Reuter learns that Spain is much quieter. The situation is being well controlled, though in many places the shops are shut. Communication is bad and soldiers are driving the trains.

Four train wreckers were executed at mid-day.

A telegram from Madrid states that the capital is entirely normal.

MUTINY IN A SPANISH PRISON.

MADRID, Aug. 17. A mutiny broke out in the chief prison in Madrid during the daily visit of the prisoners' families. The convicts attacked the warders and the military guard. Reinforcements arrived and were received by shots from the windows. Finally they quelled the disturbance.

Seven people were killed and several wounded.

EARLIER TELEGRAMS.

THE BRITISH ADVANCE.

HEAVY FIGHTING.

LONDON, Aug. 16. Field-Marshal Sir Douglas Haig reports:—

The Allies attack on a front of nine miles, northward of the Ypres-Menin Road, was continued all day in face of strong resistance. The French, on the left, advanced astride of the Zuysschoote—Dixmude Road, and cleared a tongue of land between the Yser Canal and Marivaert. They captured a bridgehead at Driegraachten.

The British centre rapidly captured the first objective, and carried Langemark after heavy fighting. They advanced half a mile beyond, and established themselves in the German trench system, the days final objective. There was fierce and continuous fighting on the right for the high ground, northward of the Menin Road. The enemy repeatedly heavily counter-attacked, and pressed us back on a part of the ground won earlier. Our artillery broke up evening counterattacks in this neighbourhood.

Eighteen hundred prisoner taken in this attack have already been brought in. We have again progressed eastward of Loos, and have taken prisoner 896 since yesterday on this front. Aeroplanes effectively co-operated yesterday, and machine-gunned the counter-attackers. We brought down twelve machines and drove down four. Three of ours are missing. Excellent aeroplane work was done to-day.

GERMAN REPORT.

A German official message, transmitted by wireless, says:—We shattered the Flanders assault on a front of thirty kilometres. The enemy had only local successes at Driegraachten and Langemark. We completely repulsed the enemy everywhere between St. Julien and Warneton.

FRENCH PROGRESS. PRISONERS AND MATERIAL CAPTURED.

LONDON, Aug. 17. A French communiqué, says:—In Belgium our attack has successfully continued.

The infantry broke the enemy resistance west of Steenbeck and is progressing in conjunction with the British. It captured all the enemy positions and took over 300 prisoners. Considerable material was captured. The artillery on both sides was active in the regions of Laffaux and Hurbiteux. The Germans set fire to St. Quentin Cathedral, which was burning for several hours.

RUSSIAN DESTROYER MINED.

LONDON, August 16. An enemy mine destroyed a Russian torpedo-boat destroyer in the Archipelago.

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THE RUSSIAN FRONT.

STRATEGICAL RETIREMENTS IN RUMANIA.

LONDON, Aug. 16. A Russian official message, transmitted by wireless, says:—The Rumanians, for strategical reasons, withdrew to Soevia, taking up a new line. We repulsed attacks in the Satchir Valley. The Germans renewed the offensive in the direction of Focsoni. The Russo-Rumanians retired to the north-east. The Turks, together with several thousand Kurds, took the offensive on Tuesday in the direction of Kharput. They were repulsed everywhere with the exception of in the region of Mount Salbusdag.

THE PREMIER ON THE WAR SITUATION.

Continuing his speech on the war situation, opening portions of which appeared in last night's issue, the Premier said:—

Shipbuilding was quickening. Many ships had been ordered from abroad, 688,000 tons were built in Britain in 1915, 538,000 in 1916, and 480,000 tons in the first six months of 1917. In the last six months of 1917, 1,420,000 tons would be acquired, of which 1,100,000 would be built in Britain, making the total for the year 1,900,000 tons. Besides large naval construction, He believed the shipping losses would decrease, and he was certain construction would increase.

We still needed more shipping, but if the United States exerted her full capacity, as doubtless she was preparing to do, we should have sufficient tonnage not only for the whole of 1918, but, if necessary, for 1919.

Referring to the military position, Mr. Lloyd George said he anticipated this year a great converging movement against the foe. Russia was equipped for this as she had never been before. The nippers were beginning to grip, but one claw of the nippers is out of repair, momentarily. Therefore, they had not attained the converging pressure anticipated. But things are mending. The situation in Russia is very difficult, hence he deprecated a discussion of the domestic politics of Russia. (Cheers.) "Despite the difficulties and troubles, at the end of three years, when every country must feel exhausted, I would not exchange our military position with that of the enemy to-day."

The best the enemy can do in a year, when practically their most powerful opponent at the beginning of the war is momentarily paralysed by internal difficulties, is to barely hold their own against the attacks of the British and French, and she is not quite doing it. On the contrary, in that year she has been beaten in several great battles with severe losses, and hundreds of her guns have been captured, which is not a bad test of a wimping or losing battle—all that when Russia was practically out of the campaign.

When Russia has recovered, and America is really in, the enemy will have something to think about. The present moment is the hour of their difficulty. Our difficulties will diminish and our power will increase, while their difficulties will increase and their power diminish—and they know it.

THE MILITARY SITUATION.

The Premier proceeded to read a telegram from the Front regarding the latest offensive, which, he said, was not intended to be a big operation. The telegram stated that severe fighting continued, and the result was not yet determined. The French were effectively co-operating, while the Canadian Infantry had won a conspicuous success. He then mentioned the capture of Langemark and, in conclusion said:—This is the supreme hour for patience, courage, endurance, hope—and unity. Let us go through this hour with the old temper of our race. That will enable us to destroy the great military despotism, so that next year, we, and the world, shall begin to reap the fruits of our valour." (Loud cheers.)

Mr. Asquith, who followed the Premier, said we could survey that scene, not with complacency after what had happened in Russia, but with satisfaction so far as our own efforts were concerned. What happened in Russia frustrated one of the great military purposes of the Allies, but they hoped Russia would soon resume her full share of the common task.

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald pressed the Government to reconsider its attitude towards the Stockholm Conference, and argued that M. Kerensky favoured it. Mr. Bonar Law, replying, denied the truth of the insinuation that M. Kerensky's telegram, stating the Provisional Government's attitude towards Stockholm, was the result of a fishing message sent by the British. M. Kerensky's wire was entirely spontaneous. Its real importance was that Britain had believed that the Russian Government itself was initiating the Stockholm Conference. He believed that to be true until the time of the change of the Government but the present Government expressly dissociated itself from direct responsibility. M. Kerensky had pointed out that a Coalition Government could not be bound by the decisions of a conference in which one party was represented.

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FLOODS IN NORTH CHINA.

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The flood situation in the north appears to be becoming more serious. Reams are now estimated that the banks of the Grand Canal may collapse, says the "P. & T. Times" of August 10. "There was great excitement in the City yesterday, for if this happens it may even cause floods in the city and the

foreign concessions. It is said that the temple bells are ringing, and people are being called upon to assist in reinforcing the banks of the canal with the utmost vigour in the hope of averting this calamity."

The great floods have completely disorganised China's railway system. The Tientsin-Pukow line service is now interrupted owing to the floods, and there is no possibility of estimating when it will be re-opened. We understand that a considerable tract astride the line is inundated some little distance down the line from Tientsin City. "P. & T. Times."

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HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

Corps Orders by Captain J. H. W. Armstrong, Y.D.

STRENGTH.
Pte. P. S. Lima joined the Corps on 13.8.17. He is allotted Corps No. 5103 and posted to Right Section M. G. Co.
Pte. W. H. Breen joined the Corps on 13.8.17. He is allotted Corps No. 5104 and posted to Scouts Company.

ATTACHED.
Private G. Dumbarton, Shanghai Scottish, S. S. C. is attached to Scouts Coy. from 30th July 1917.

LEAVE.
Lieut. L. C. P. Lewis is granted 6 weeks leave from 13.8.17.
No. 1049 Pte. J. N. R. Allan is granted 2 months leave from 13.8.17.
No. 2004 Pte. T. J. Fisher is granted 1 month's leave from 21.8.17.

PUNISHMENT.
No. 1785 Pte. L. M. Francis has been awarded defaulters' drill for neglect of duty, as under:
At Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on 10th, 17th, 24th and 25th August 1917.

ENGINEER COMPANY.
Detail of duties at Lyceum from 17th to 21st August 1917 is posted at Headquarters.

PARADES.

Monday, 20th instant:
1. 5.30 p.m. Centre Section M. G. Co. drill at Nelson Park, Hongkong. Recruits received by launch from Statue Wharf at 4.30 p.m.
5.30 p.m. Artillery Battery at Belchers Battery.
Right Section M. G. Co. and Scouts Company at Headquarters under unit Commanders. Tests of Elementary Training.
Mounted Section at Jockey Club Stables.

Recruits of all units on Murray Parade Ground under Corps, Companies, Engineers and Edmonds and Lee-Corps. Messes.

Tuesday, 21st instant:

7.10 a.m. Scouts Company M. G. Detachment at Headquarters.
7.30 a.m. Belchers G. Section at Belchers Battery.

5.30 p.m. Artillery (Bodge Tanks only) at Belchers Battery.
5.30 p.m. Left Section M. G. Co. and Civil Service Company at Headquarters under unit Commanders. Section Drill.
5.30 p.m. Stretcher Bearer Section at Headquarters.

5.30 p.m. Signalling Section "A" and "B" classes at Happy Valley (Helio-graph and Flag Station Work).

Wednesday 22nd instant:

5.30 p.m. Right Section M. G. Co. and Scouts Company at Headquarters under unit Commanders. Tests of Elementary Training.

Thursday 23rd instant:

7.10 a.m. Scouts Company M. G. Detachment at Headquarters.
7.30 a.m. Belchers G. Section (Layers class only) at Belchers Battery.

5.30 p.m. Artillery Battery (Layers and Belchers only) at Belchers Battery.
5.30 p.m. Mounted Section at Jockey Club Stables.

Friday 24th instant:

5.30 a.m. Belchers G. Section (Range Tanks class and Gun Numbers as detailed only) at Belchers Battery.
5.30 p.m. Artillery Battery (Gun Numbers other than specialists) at Belchers Battery.

Right Section M. G. Co. at Headquarters under unit Commanders. Tests of Elementary Training.
Recruits of all units on Murray Parade Ground under Corps, Companies, Edmonds and Lee-Corps. Messes.

Signalling Section "A" and "B" classes at Happy Valley (Helio-graph and Flag Station work).

Saturday 25th instant:

7.10 a.m. Scouts Company (men detailed by Sergt. Major Ramsey) at Headquarters. Musketry instruction.
4.30 p.m. Special Parade at Headquarters for members of the Corps (Infantry) unable to attend drills on the 20th, 21st, 22nd and 23rd instants. Recruits of all units from each unit sending men will attend.

DETAIL.

On duty 19th instant Left Section M. G. Co. and Civil Service Coy.
On duty 20th instant Centre Section M. G. Co.
On duty 21st instant Scouts Company.
On duty 22nd instant Scouts Company.
On duty 23rd instant Right Section M. G. Co.
On duty 24th instant Left Sec. M. G. Co. and Civil Service Coy.
On duty 25th instant Centre Section M. G. Co.

Officer from 19th to 25th inst. Lieut. J. D. Danby.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER RESERVES.

Major Wilkman, Commanding R.E.V.R.

DETAIL.

On duty from the morning of Sunday the 19th August to the morning of Sunday the 25th August H. K. V. C. Next for duty "A" Coy. H. K. V. C. Orderly Officer Lieut. E. Evan Jones.

PARADES FOR NEXT WEEK.

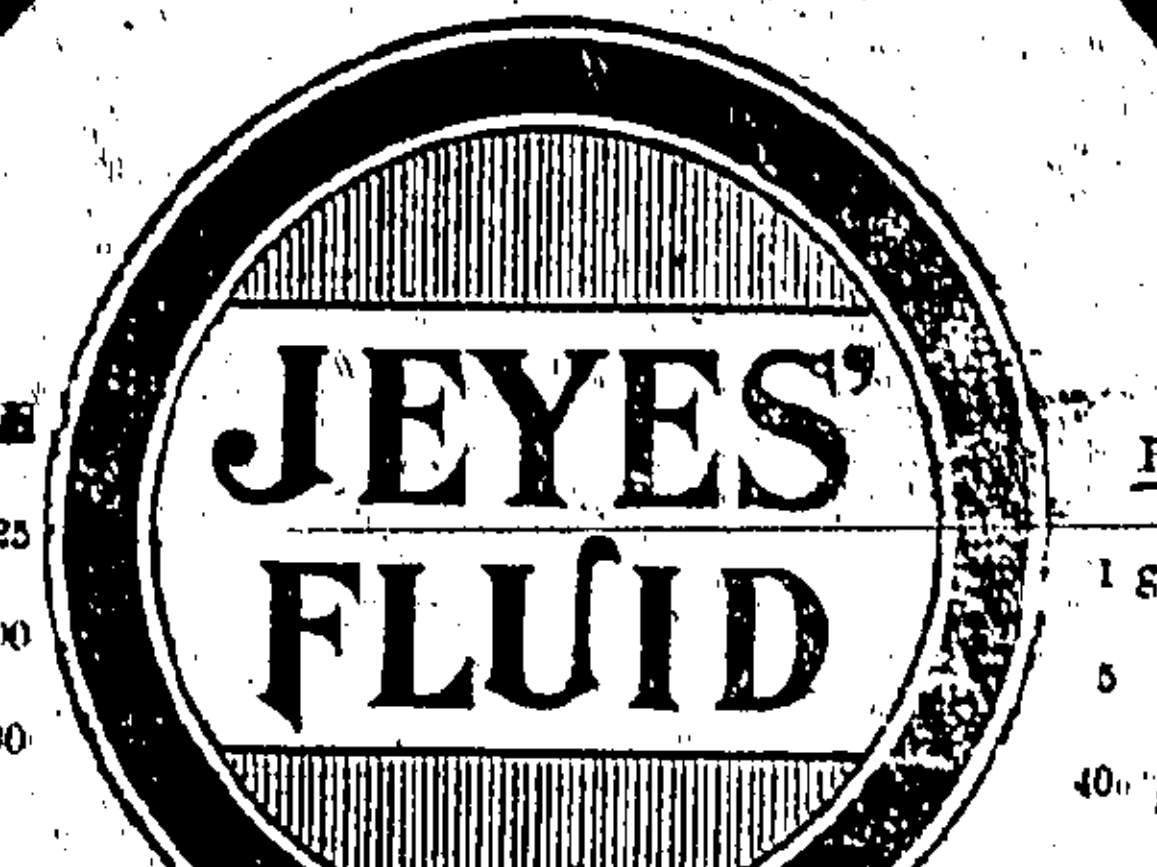
Monday, 20th instant:
Recruits on the Cricket Ground at 5.15 p.m. under Instructor Sergt. Oxberry. Dress: Drill Order.
Machine Gun Section at Wellington Park at 6.15 p.m. Dress: Clean Fatigue.

Mounted Section at Polo Ground at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Drill Order.
Tuesday, 21st instant:

"A" and "B" Coys. Recruits Machine Gun Section, Mounted Section and Signaller on the road outside the Orderly Room at 5.15 p.m. Taikoo Section on the Polo Ground at 5.30 p.m. Kowloon Dock for Tests of Elementary Training Musketry. Dress: Drill Order except Kowloon Dock section which may parade in plain clothes. Officers and N.C.O.s will continue conducting the tests laid down in para. 27-29 Chap. IV. Musketry Regulations Part I 1909 (Reprints 1914) Copies of this para. referred to may be obtained on application at the Orderly Room.

Every man including exempted members must attend this parade.
Tuesday, 22nd instant:
Recruits on the Cricket Ground at 5.15 p.m. under Instructor Sergt. Oxberry. Dress: Drill Order.
Signalling Sections "A" and "B" classes will parade at Happy Valley for Station Work. Fall in at monument 5.30 p.m. and "C" Class at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Clean Fatigue.

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Mounted Section at Polo Ground at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Drill Order.

Friday, 24th instant:

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TRANSFERS.
No. 55 Pte. H. H. J. Gompertz is transferred to the Signalling section.

CHURCH SERVICES.

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL, HONGKONG.

11th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY, AUG. 19th.

Holy Communion (7.30 a.m.)

Matins (11 a.m.)

Responses: Psalm 104, O.M., Lawes and King; Te Deum, Oakley in F; Benedictus, Turle (2nd Evening); Hymns, 199 (21st) 252.

God Save the King.

Holy Communion (12 noon)

Evening (6 p.m.)

Responses: Psalm 104, Fassel and Battisill; Magnificat, Smart; Nunc Dimittis, Barnby (2nd evening); Hymns, 208, 363, 12.

God Save the King.

St. Andrew's Church, Kowloon.

Holy Communion at 11 a.m.

Morning Prayer at 11 a.m.

Responses: Psalm 104, Venite, Nil; Psalm 104, 19th Morning NCV Ancient Theme, NCV Lawes, NCV King; Te Deum, Woodward, Smart and Turle; Jubilate, Goodson; Kyrie, Mendelssohn; Hymns, 337, 398, 367, 411.

God Save the King.

Evening Prayer at 6 p.m.

Responses: Psalm 104, 19th Evening, NCV Fassel, NCV Battisill, O Battisill, C Hayes; Magnificat, Turle in F Chant No. 78; Nunc Dimittis, Barnby in E; Hymns, 385, 419, 367, 8.

Vesper Hymn.

God Save the King.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Sunday Services, August 19th.

Morning Service at 11 a.m.—Hymns, 343, 520, 373, 11, 512.

Evening Service at 6 p.m.—Hymns, 378, 297, 291, 215, 10.

Preacher: Rev. J. W. Pearce. Communion service at the close of evening service.

St. Peter's Church, West Point.

6.30 p.m.—Preacher: Rev. J. Kirk Macdonald.

Peak Church.

8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion.

6.30 p.m.—Evening Prayer. Preacher: The Bishop of Victoria.

The Gospel Hall.

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Weekly Services—Sunday: Breaking of Bread for Believers only 11 a.m. Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m.

Tuesday and Thursday, Bible study 8 p.m.

Friday, Ladies' Bible study 5.30 p.m. Saturday, Prayer Meeting, p.m.

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Wednesdays, 5.30 p.m.

Wesleyan Methodist Church, Wanchai.

Sunday Morning Service 10.15 a.m.

Sunday Evening Service 8.15 p.m.

Soldiers and Sailors' Home, Arsenal Street.

Sunday Evening, Gospel Meeting, 8 p.m.

St. Joseph's Church, Garden Road.

Mass and Sermon at 10 a.m., followed by the Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Roman Catholic Cathedral, Glebe.

Low Mass at 7 and 9.30 a.m.

High Mass at 8 a.m.

5.30 p.m.—Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

Previous day at 5 p.m. On date at 5 p.m. On date at 5 p.m.

Barometer 29.64 29.55 29.50

Temperature 85 85 85

Humidity 70 68 68

Direction of Wind W W W W

Force 2 2 2

Weather c b b

Rain 0.00 0.00 0.00

Without open air temperature on the 17th. Lowest open air temperature on the 18th.

F. CHARTERIS, Director.

Hongkong, Observers, Aug. 18, 1917.

To day's Advertisements.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM PENANG AND SINGAPORE.

THE Steamship "JACOB".

Having arrived from the above ports, consignees of cargo by her are notified that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Co., Ltd., whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by 25th August, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, whence they will be examined by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas on the 24th August, at 10 a.m.

Claims against the steamer must be presented in writing within ten days after arrival of steamer, otherwise they will not be recognised.

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Hongkong, August 18, 1917. 2043

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees to-day requesting it to be landed here.

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LESSONS IN CHINESE.

MR. H. H. HUN YAN, Chinese private teacher in Hongkong, has been invited to give lessons in Chinese to the Chinese community in Hongkong.

He has a good knowledge of the Chinese language and is a native speaker of the Chinese dialect of Canton. He has been a teacher in the Chinese language for many years and has a good knowledge of the Chinese literature and history.

Those who are interested in learning the Chinese language and who wish to improve their knowledge of the Chinese literature and history, may obtain on application at the Orderly Room.

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